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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HEINE et al.

Serial No.

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For: BRUSHLESS SPINDLE DC MOTOR

USED AS AN ACTUATOR TO CREATE RADIAL FORCE

Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Burton S. Mullins

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed April 25, 2002, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is requested. Claims 2-21 have been renumbered 67-86.

IN THE CLAIMS

72. (Amended) An apparatus for stabilizing the spin axis of a rotating system comprising a disc drive, said rotating system comprising:

a rotor carrying an inertial load comprising at least one disc and bearing means to support said rotor and said disc about said spin axis, and

motor means to cause rotation of said rotor about said spin axis comprising:

a first set of windings;

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